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SUBJECT: UNESCO'S 93RD EX/BD APPROVES RESOLUTION ON CHILE
(ITEM 8.2)

REF.: A) FORSTER-PROHME TELCON OCT 11, 1973; B) STATE 199128;
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1. AFTER DAY LONG DEBATE, HEATED BY CHARGES AND COUNTER CHARGES
OF CUBAN AND CHILEAN REPS, 93RD EXBD ON OCT 11 APPROVED 32-0-2
(US, CHINA) RESOLUTION ON UNESCO PLAN FOR HANDLING COMPLAINTS RE
ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE. FULL TEXT OF RESO-
LUTION, PROPOSED BY CUEVAS-CANCINO (MEXICO) AND AMENDED BY WORKING
PARTY INCLUDING DELL ORO MAINI (ARGENTINA) AND WYNTER (JAMAICA).
FOLLOWS BY SEPTTEL.

2. US PERM REP STATED IN EXPLANATION OF HIS ABSTENTION VOTE THAT
HE HAD NOT HAD TIME TO CONSULT HIS GOVERNMENT ON RESOLUTION ON
WHICH BOARD HAD JUST VOTED AND HENCE WAS UNABLE TO OBTAIN INSTRUCT-
IONS.

ALTHOUGH CHINESE SILENT IT BELIEVED HE ABSTAINED ALSO FROM LACK
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OF INSTRUCTIONS. JAPANESE REP EXPLAINED THAT ALTHOUGH HE VOTED

FOR RESOLUTION HE FELT BOARD SHOULD NOT MAKE HASTY JUDGMENT ABOUT SITUATION IN CHILE, THAT STUDY AND INVESTIGATION FIRST NEEDED.

SPANISH DEL SAID HE VOTED FOR RESOLUTION BUT WISHED IT HAD CONTAINED REFERENCE TO REPLY OF CHILEAN NATIONAL COMMISSION TO COMPLAINT OF CUBAN NATIONAL COMMISSION. CUBAN CRITICIZED SPANISH REP FOR ADVOCATING INCLUSION OF CHILEAN STATEMENT IN RESOLUTION. CHILEAN REP ASKED THAT DG FORWARD HIS STATEMENT BEFORE EXBD TO UNSYG.

3. DEBATE ON QUESTION OPENED MORNING OF OCT 11 WITH TWO DRS--ONE PROPOSED BY GROHMAN (CZECHOSLOVAKIA), WYNTER (JAMAICA), MAKANY (CONGO), ANNABI (ALGERIA), ETEMADI (AFGHANISTAN), AND EL BOROLOSSY (EGYPT), AND OTHER PROPOSED BY DELL ORO MAINI (ARGENTINA), CAPURRO (URUGUAY), BETTANCUR-MEJIA (COLOMBIA) AND MACAYA-LAHMANN (COSTA RICA)--BEFORE IT. GROHMAN RESOLUTION CALLED ON DG TO TRANSMIT COPIES OF COMPLAINTS SUBMITTED TO UNESCO ABOUT ALLEGED ABUSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE TO UN SECRETARY GENERAL, TO COOPERATE WITH UNSYG IN ANY STEPS HE MIGHT TAKE TO ESTABLISH ACCURACY OR OTHERWISE OF COMPLAINTS AND TO REPORT TO BOARD ON ANY ACTION TAKEN. DELL ORO MAINI RESOLUTION REQUESTED DG TO BRING COMMUNICATIONS COMPLAINING ABOUT ALLEGED HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN CHILE TO ATTENTION OF EXBD'S COMMITTEE ON CONVENTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS IN EDUCATION; TO FORWARD TO GOC COPIES OF ALL SUCH COMMUNICATIONS; TO TRANSMIT GOC'S REPLIES TO COMMITTEE FOR APPROPRIATE OPINION; AND TO REPORT TO 94TH BOARD ON STEPS TAKEN.

4. IN AFTERNOON BOARD WAS PRESENTED WITH THIRD RESOLUTION ON SUBJECT BY CUEVAS-CANCINO (MEXICO) WHICH WAS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED AND PASSED AT CLOSE OF DAY. THIS RESOLUTION IN SEVEN OPERATIVE PARAS EXPRESSES "ITS GRAVE CONCERN AT EVENTS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN CHILE SO FAR AS THEY MAY AFFECT PURPOSES AND FUNCTIONS OF UNESCO"; RECALLS PRINCIPLE OF NON-INTERVENTION IN DOMESTIC AFFAIRS; EXPRESSES BOARD'S APPROVAL OF DG MAHEU'S CONSULTATIONS WITH CHILEAN AUTHORITIES ON POSSIBILITY OF SENDING A UNESCO REPRESENTATIVE TO INFORMALLY LOOK INTO SITUATION NOW EXISTING IN CHILE AS REGARDS EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND CULTURE AND THE POSITION OF SCHOLARS, SCIENTISTS AND EDUCATORS IN COUNTRY, WHETHER CHILEAN NATIONALS OR FOREIGNERS; REQUESTS DG TO BRING ANY COMMUNICATIONS ASSERTING SERIOUS VIOLATIONS IN CHILE OF RIGHTS OF ACADEMICS, SCIENTISTS OR EDUCATORS TO ATTENTION OF EXBD'S COMMITTEE ON CONVENTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS IN EDUCATION,

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AND ASKS THAT THIS COMMITTEE BE CONVENED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. RESOLUTION FURTHER INVITES DG TO FORWARD THESE COMMUNICATIONS TO UNSYG; TO COOPERATE FULLY WITH LATTER IN ANY MEASURES WHICH HE MIGHT TAKE TO ENQUIRE ABOUT ABOVE COMPLAINTS; AND TO REPORT TO 1974 SPRING SESSION OF EXBD ON DEVELOPMENTS.

5. DURING DAY LONG DEBATE VARIOUS RESOLUTION SPONSORS, ALL EASTERN EUROPEANS, ANNABI (ALGERIA), HERNANDEZ (SPAIN), DE GORTER (NL),

AND DG SPOKE. ALSO ENTERING DEBATE ON SPECIFIC INVITATION OF BOARD WERE CUBAN REP MENACES, CHILEAN CHARGE D'AFFAIRES IN FRANCE BERGUAGNO AND WCFTU REP GASTEAU. LATTER READ USUAL COMMUNIST-GARBAGE STATEMENT ABOUT CHILE WHILE CUBANS AND CHILEANS ACTIVELY PARTICIPATED IN DEBATE. CUBAN STATEMENT WAS RICH IN DIATRIBES AGAINST "FASCIST REGIME" IN CHILE, BUT DID CONCEDE THAT CHILEAN REP HAD RIGHT TO BE HEARD BY EXBD. CUBAN RECOMMENDED, HOWEVER, THAT BOARD NOT ACCEPT A JUNTA GOVERNMENT REPLACEMENT FOR PABLO NERUDA ON EXBD. (FYT. NEW CHILEAN GOVERNMENT HAS NOT YET NOMINATED SUCCESSOR TO NERUDA ON EXBD.)

6. DURING FINAL ANALYSIS OF RESOLUTIONS BEFORE BOARD, DG POINTED OUT HE WAS WILLING TO COOPERATE WITH UNSYG ON ANY MATTER OF MUTUAL INTEREST, BUT THAT LATTER HAD NOT YET SET UP MACHINERY TO ESTABLISH ACCURACY OF HUMAN RIGHTS COMPLAINTS AGAINST CHILE. HE REPORTED UNSYG CONCERNED WITH PROTECTION OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IN CHILE AND WITH HUMANITARIAN ACTION ON BEHALF OF INDIVIDUALS. HE REMINDED BOARD, HOWEVER, THAT UNESCO MUST FULLY RESPECT PRINCIPLE OF NON-INTERVENTION IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF A MEMBER STATE.

7. DG REPORTED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS FROM INDIVIDUALS AND NGO'S ABOUT ALLEGED HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN CHILE. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT HE WAS MAINLY CONCERNED WITH EXECUTION OF UNESCO'S PROGRAM IN COUNTRY, THE SITUATION IN CHILE HAD ALREADY CAUSED POSTPONEMENT OF UNESCO INTERGOVERNMENTAL MEETING ON EQUIVALENCES OF DEGREES SET FOR SANTIAGO IN NOVEMBER, HE SAID HE HAD REPORTS THAT TWO STUDENTS AT FLACSO (REGIONAL LATIN AMERICAN SOCIAL SCIENCE CENTER IN SANTIAGO) HAD DIED IN PRISON AND SIX PROFESSORS AND FELLOWS FROM FLACSO WERE REPORTED IN BAD CONDITION IN JAIL. HE SAID HE WOULD APPRECIATE RESOLUTION GIVING HIM GENERAL MANDATE TO RESPOND TO DEMANDS OF WORLD INTELLECTUAL COMMUNITY FOR PROTECTION OF LIFE IN CHILE. HE ADDED, HOWEV
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